

Session Topics

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History & Orientation

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Planning, Community and Economic Development

Session 3: Budget & Finance

Session 4: Public Safety

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Building Inspection, Code Enforcement & Rental Registration

Session 8: Quality of Life

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Fairmont 101 is a new program of classes being offered by the City of Fairmont to educate citizens on the roles and responsibilities of local government. Through a series of eight two-hour morning sessions or eight two-hour evening sessions, the City hopes to increase the number of informed and involved citizens and make local government more accessible to the community.

For more information about this exciting new program log on to www.fairmontwv.gov and click on Fairmont 101.











What is Fairmont 101?

Fairmont 101 is a new program sponsored by the City of Fairmont to educate citizens on the roles and responsibilities of their local government through a series of eight (8) two-hour morning sessions or eight (8) two-hour evening sessions.

Who Can Participate?

Fairmont 101 is open to all residents of the City of Fairmont, but classes are limited to 20 participants per session and are filled on a first come basis.

When are the Classes?

Both the morning session and evening session of Fairmont 101 will be held on the third Thursday of each month beginning in April. The morning session will begin at 10:00 a.m. and run until noon. The evening session will begin at 6:00 p.m. and be completed by 8:00 p.m.

Where are the Classes Held?

Most Fairmont 101 classes will be held in the City Council Chambers at the Fairmont Public Safety Building located at 500 Quincy Street. Some classes may meet at other City of Fairmont facilities depending on the session topic.

What is the Cost? / How do I Register?

Tuition for the program is \$20 to help defray the cost of program and graduation materials. To register, complete the attached Fairmont 101 Application Form and mail it along with your tuition payment to Paula Friend at the City of Fairmont, 200 Jackson Street, Fairmont, WV, 26554. You may also contact Paula at (304) 366-6211, Ext. 310 or by email at pfriend@fairmontwv.gov.



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Session 1: History and Orientation

Held at the Public Safety Building, participants will receive a welcome from the Mayor. The session will focus on the history of the City, the form of government, role of the City Council, role of the City Manager, Boards and Commissions and an overview of each City Department.

Session 2: Planning, Community and Economic Development

Held at the Public Safety Building, participants will review the City's Comprehensive Plan, learn about zoning regulations, and discuss community and economic development programs, projects and incentives.

Session 3: Budget & Finance

Held at the Public Safety Building, participants will review the City's Budget, learn how the budget is developed and discuss City service fees and the B&O Tax system.

Session 4: Public Safety

Held at the Public Safety Building, participants will hear from the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief as they discuss the operations of their respective departments.

Session 5: Utilities

Held at the E. Bruce McDaniel Complex at Morris Park, participants will learn about the operations of the Water, Sewer and Storm Water Departments; discuss regulatory agencies such as the Public Service Commission, the Bureau of Public Health, the WV DEP and the EPA.



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Session 6: Public Works

Held at the new Public Works facility located on Minor Avenue, participants will hear about the areas of responsibility for the Department including; streets, traffic, general maintenance and parks. The process for evaluating streets for paving and the priorities for snow removal will also be discussed.

Session 7: Building Inspection, Code Enforcement and Rental Registration

Held at the Public Safety Building, participants will discuss building and property maintenance codes, inspections and permits. Participants will gain an understanding of why these regulations are important to the overall health, safety and general welfare of the community.

Session 8: Quality of Life

Held at the E. Bruce McDaniel Complex at Morris Park, the final session will focus on Parks, Housing, Schools, Employment and all the things necessary to be an outstanding community. What is the City's role in these areas? What are they doing? What should they be doing?

- * Session 8 will also serve as the graduation session for each of the participants. Participants must attend 90% of the class sessions to receive a graduation certificate.
- ** Please note that the location of each session is subject to change. Participants will be asked to check their email as well as the City's web site for notices prior to each session.



Session Dates and Speakers

Session 1: History & Orientation—April 18, 2013

Speakers: Mayor and Council, City Manager, City Clerk.

Session 2: Planning, Community & Economic Development-May 16, 2013

Speakers: Director of Planning & Development, City Manager.

Session 3: Budget & Finance-Quality of Life-June 13, 2013 (Moved due to WV Day)

Speakers: Finance Director, City Manager.

Session 4: Public Safety-July 18, 2013

Speakers: Fire Chief, Chief of Police, City Manager.

Session 5: Utilities—August 15, 2013

Speakers: Utility Manager, Utility Controller, Plant Superintendents, Engineers, City Manager.

Session 6: Public Works—September 19, 2013

Speakers: Director of Public Works, Operations Supervisor, Traffic Supervisor, City Manager.

Session 7: Building Inspection, Code Enforcement, Rental Registration—Oct. 17, 2013

Speakers: Building Inspector, Code/Housing Officers, City Manager.

Session 8: Quality of Life/Graduation—November 21, 2013

Speakers: Director of Planning & Development, Program Manager, City Clerk, Mayor and Council, City Manager.

* Guest Speakers may be a part of one or more sessions.



Application

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Morning Sessions: Evening Sessions:	
If space is not available in the session you prefer, would you like to participal alternative session? Yes No Please contact me	ate in the

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